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Whitehall, Feb. 29.

HER Majesty has been graciously pleas'd to constitute and appoint his Grace the Duke of Beaufort, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Glocester, and of the Cities of Bristol and Glocester, and Counties of the same.

St. James's, Feb. 27. This Evening Signior Bruciado, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Portugal, had his first private Audience of Her Majesty; to which he was introduc'd by the Right Honorable the Earl of Dartmouth, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrel, Master of the Ceremonies.

Moscow, January 28. *N. S.* On this Day came hither sudden and unexpected Orders from his Czarish Majesty, to carry all the Suedish Prisoners remaining in this Place to Siberia: The Reason given for it, according to the common Report, is, because the Ottoman Port have taken Resolutions of declaring War against the Muscovites.

Berlin, Feb. 27. *N. S.* Some Days ago the Body of the late Margrave Philip was brought hither from Malchow, three Miles distance from hence, being attended by a Squadron of Horse, and twenty four Coaches, wherein were the Great Officers of the Court, according to their several Ranks. The Herse was open, with the proper Ensigns of Honour plac'd on the Coffin, over which was a Canopy, supported by twenty four Officers of the Army, and was follow'd by six of the King's Coaches, and ten more belonging to the Prince-Royal and the Margrave. The King's Body-Coach was empty. In the next were the Deceas'd Margrave's eldest Son, with the Prince-Royal, and the Margraves Albert and Christian. The Prince of Anhalt was in the next, and all the rest of the Coaches were empty. The Procession was clos'd with another Squadron of Horse. The Body was received at the Principal Church by twelve Gentlemen of the King's Chamber, and there Inter'd with great Pomp and solemn Musick, in view of the King and Queen: The whole Ceremony was concluded with three Salvoes of small Arms, and the firing of all the Cannon twice round the Town. The Prince of Anhalt set out from hence on Tuesday last for Dessau, and intends to make another Campaign this Year in Flanders. Monsieur d'Alancon, President of the Parliament of Orange, is order'd by the King of Prussia to go to Utrecht, to confer with his Majesty's Plenipotentiaries there, and give them such necessary Informations, as relate to his Majesty's Interest, concerning the Principality of Orange.

Brussels, March 9. *N. S.* Our Letters from Paris of the 29th of February N. S. say, That the French King continu'd in so weak a Condition, that the Court was in great Pain for his Health. Those Advices add, that the young Dauphin will be committed to the Care of the Mareschal Villeroy, as his Governour, and to the Dukes of Vendosme and Harcourt, as Tutors, and that the former is recall'd from Spain, for that Purpose.

Utrecht, March 4. *N. S.* Yesterday Morning was held, at the Town-house, a Conference of the Ministers of the Allies, at which Messieurs Buys, Goslinga and the Count de Rechteren, being return'd some Hours before from the Hague, assisted. At this Conference a General Claim was propos'd to be inserted among the Demands each particular Allie is to make upon France, in favour of their Pretensions, and for the mutual Support of the Interests of each other, which Claim was agreed to, and is accordingly to be made part of the respective Allies Demands. The Ministers of the Protestant Allies, have been several times in Conference together, to concert such Measures as may be proper to be taken, during the Course of this Congress, for the Security of their Religion, and particularly the Abolition of a Clause in the Fourth Article of the Treaty of Ryswick, prejudicial to the same: As likewise the making some Provisions in their Negotiations with the Ministers of France, for the Relief of the Protestants of that Kingdom. The Elector of Hanover having not yet any Plenipotentiary here, Monsieur Neubour, one of his Counsellors and Secretary at the Hague, is come hither by Order of his Electoral Highness, to desire of the British Plenipotentiaries, that what the said Elector has to Demand of France, may be inserted among the Demands to be made for the Queen; which Desire their Excellencies have comply'd with. This Morning the Plenipotentiaries of the Allies, had an extraordinary Conference, to communicate mutually the respective Demands, they have propos'd to be given in to the French Plenipotentiaries, at the General Conference to Morrow Morning. Some Officers of Her Majesty's Forces in Catalonia are arriv'd here, in their way to Great Britain. They bring an Account, that the Duke of Argyle, having in his Passage from Barcelona, visited Port Mahon, Landed the Fifteenth of February at Leghorne, where his Grace was somewhat Indispos'd, but intended to proceed hither, with all the Expedition his Health would permit. Another Conference of the Ministers of the Allies is to be held this Evening, for the final settling such Points as are necessary for them to agree upon among themselves, before they deliver in their Demands to the French. Baron Gersdorff was this Day admitted into the Conference, as Plenipotentiary from the King of Poland, Elector of Saxony, a Member of the Grand Alliance, and will assist as such, during the Congress. Count Sinzendorff has received an Account from Vienna, that the Emperor has named Count Cursano, for his Third Plenipotentiary at this Place.

Utrecht, March 5. *N. S.* A General Conference was held this Morning, at which the Plenipotentiaries of the Allies, delivered in their respective Specifick Demands to those of France; upon which the latter will explain themselves further at the General Conference, which is to be held on Wednesday next.